

REMARKS

1. Restriction Requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121

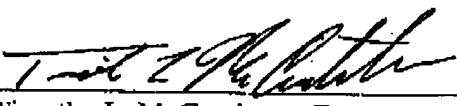
The Examiner has restricted the present application into two groups of claims, as set forth in the restriction requirement of June 18, 2003. Applicants elect to prosecute Group I, without traverse.

Applicants note that the claims have been amended to be directed to nucleic acid sequences encoding protein sequences 6, 64 and 65, thus removing some of the nucleic acid and protein SEQ ID NOs. placed in Group I.

In the event that the Examiner has any questions regarding Applicants' position, the Examiner is invited to contact the below-named representative at (970) 493-7272.

Respectfully submitted,

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